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TO: BEHAVIORAL HEALTH STAKEHOLDERS, NETWORK PROVIDERS AND
OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES

FROM: IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE
DIVISION OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

RE: DIVISION OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROPOSED IDAPA RULE AND PUBLIC HEARINGS

Through Idaho Behavioral Health Transformation, the Department of Health and Welfare is moving towards an integrated Behavioral Health system of care that includes mental health and substance use disorder services and programs. Recognizing the benefit and necessity of integrated monitoring and credentialing of community mental health and substance use disorder providers, the Department is proposing to establish a behavioral health certification that allows community mental health and substance use disorder treatment agencies to obtain state approval while maintaining core requirements for substance use disorders services and programs. The Department of Health and Welfare has worked with providers, consumers, partners, stakeholders and other interested parties to review current IDAPA rules related to substance use disorders and draft proposed rule that allows community mental health and substance use disorder agencies to obtain state approval. Drafts of the text to be published as proposed rule are now available for review. You may access these documents on the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare website at the following URL:

<http://healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/Medical/SubstanceUseDisorders/tabid/105/Default.aspx>

<http://healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/Medical/MentalHealth/AdultMentalHealth/tabid/195/Default.aspx>

The proposed rules will be published in the Idaho Administrative Bulletin on **Wednesday, September 3, 2015**. Once published, official docket of the proposed rule text will be available on the Idaho Department of Administration website at:

<http://adminrules.idaho.gov/bulletin/index.html>

Formal public hearings on the proposed rules are being held via video conferencing as follows:

Thursday September 17, 2015

9:00am—11:00am (PT)

10:00am—12:00pm (MT)

And

1:00pm-3:00pm (PT)

2:00pm-4:00pm (MT)

VIDEO CONFERENCING LOCATIONS

Region I Office – Coeur d’Alene Main Conference Room 2195 Ironwood Court Coeur d’Alene, ID 83814	Region II Office – Lewiston 1st Floor Conference Room 1118 “F” Street Lewiston, ID 83501
Region III Office – Caldwell Owyhee Conference Room (Rm. 226) 3402 Franklin Road Caldwell, ID 83605	Region IV Office – Boise Room 131 1720 Westgate Drive, Suite A Boise, ID 83704
Region V Office – Twin Falls Room 116 823 Harrison Twin Falls, ID 83301	Region VI Office – Pocatello Room 225 421 Memorial Drive Pocatello, ID 83201
Region VII Office – Idaho Falls Conference Room 240 150 Shoup Ave. Idaho Falls, ID 83402	State Hospital South—Blackfoot Administration Building, Classroom A09 700 E. Alice St Blackfoot, ID 83221
State Hospital North Administration Conference Room 234 300 Hospital Dr Orofino, ID 83544	ORIGINATING LOCATION IDHW Central Office Conference Room 3A (3rd floor) 450 West State Street Boise, ID 83702

Please note that the public hearing is an opportunity for the public to comment on the proposed rule but it will not be interactive and will not involve discussion or negotiation of the proposed rule dockets.

Questions regarding the public hearing or proposed rule dockets may be directed to Treena Clark at clarkt@dhw.idaho.gov

Thank you